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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In the Specification

Please amend the specification of the application as follows:

page 1, line 3, add:

This is a continuation of application Serial No.  
09/446,540 filed under 37 C.F.R. § 371 on December 21,  
1999, <sup>now U.S. Patent 6,445,944,</sup> and which claims priority from Patent Cooperation  
Treaty ("PCT") international application PCT/US99/21139  
that was filed with the United States Patent and Trade-  
mark Office ("USPTO") Receiving Office (RO/US) on  
September 15, 1999.

page 17, line 23, delete "arrangements" and substitute there-  
fore --arrangement--;

page 18, line 38, delete "exhibit" and substitute therefore  
--require--;

page 20, line 5, delete "and the optical fiber";  
line 6, delete "collimator assembly 134";

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